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1. The ration cards for employees and workers are distributed through the organization where they are employed. In each government institution or State operated business one person is designated as the "delegate" for distributing the ration cards. Since 1 January 1952 each delegate forwards a monthly written "application" addressed to the Commercial Department of the Raion People's Council; the application is accompanied by a list containing the names of persons entitled to ration cards. Upon receipt and examination of this application, the Commercial Department issues the official ration cards for the various categories.
2. The food ration cards are of five categories:
 - a. Food ration card type "Cartela A" distributed to workers engaged in very heavy work projects.
 - b. Food ration card type "Cartela B" distributed to workers in factories and quarries.
 - c. Food ration card type "Cartela C" distributed to employees and workers engaged in lighter type work (such as office workers).
 - d. Food ration card type "Cartela D" (1) distributed to dependents (wife and children between 14 and 18 years) of the above-mentioned workers.
 - e. Food ration card type "Cartela D" (2) distributed to children under 14 years.

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3. There follows a list of items and quantities to which each type of food ration cards entitle its holder:

a. Cartela A

- (1) 750 grams of bread daily
- (2) 1,250 grams of sugar monthly
- (3) 1,500 grams of macaroni, spaghetti, etc., monthly
- (4) 1,000 grams of soap monthly
- (5) 1,000 grams of cooking oil monthly
- (6) 6 coupons worth of meat, (500 grams for each coupon) weekly

b. Cartela B

- (1) 500 grams of bread daily
- (2) 1,000 grams of sugar monthly
- (3) 1,500 grams of macaroni, spaghetti, monthly
- (4) 750 grams of cooking oil monthly
- (5) 750 grams of soap monthly
- (6) 6 coupons of meat, (500 grams for each coupon) weekly

c. Cartela C

- (1) 350 grams of bread daily
- (2) 750 grams of sugar monthly
- (3) 1,500 grams of macaroni, spaghetti, monthly
- (4) 500 grams of cooking oil, monthly
- (5) 500 grams of soap monthly
- (6) 6 coupons worth of meat, (500 grams for each coupon) weekly

d. Cartela D1

- (1) 300 grams of bread daily
- (2) 500 grams of sugar monthly
- (3) 1,500 grams of macaroni, spaghetti, monthly
- (4) 400 grams of cooking oil monthly
- (5) 250 grams of soap monthly
- (6) 5 coupons worth of meat, (150 grams for each coupon) weekly

e. Cartela D2

- (1) 300 grams of bread daily
- (2) 1,000 grams of sugar monthly
- (3) 1,500 grams of macaroni, spaghetti, monthly
- (4) 400 grams of cooking oil monthly
- (5) 250 grams of soap monthly
- (6) 1,500 grams of semolina monthly
- (7) 5 coupons of meat, (250 grams for each coupon) weekly

4. There follows a list of prices for items on the rationed market:

- a. Bread 0.70 lei the kilogram
- b. Sugar 2.80 lei the kilogram
- c. Macaroni 2.00 lei the kilogram
- d. Cooking oil 3.00 lei the kilogram
- e. Soap 7.74 lei the kilogram
- f. Semolina 1.00 lei the kilogram
- g. Beef 4.80 lei the kilogram
- h. Lamb 7.76 lei the kilogram

5. The clothing ration cards are issued (since 1 January 1952) twice yearly. There are five types of such ration cards.

- a. Clothing ration card type "Cartela A" (No information).
- b. Clothing ration card type "Cartela B" (No information).

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- c. Clothing ration card type "Cartela C" (48 points) entitles the holder to the following items:

- 5 meters of cloth
- 1 coupon for one pair of shoes or boots
- 1 coupon for two towels
- 1 coupon for three handkerchiefs
- 1 coupon for one pair of shoe soles

Note: 24 points are required for one meter of material for a suit.
48 points are required for one meter of material for an overcoat.

- 1 point is required for one handkerchief.
- 1 point is required for one ~~spool~~ of thread.
- 1 point is required for one pair of socks.

- d. Clothing ration card type "Cartela D1 (38 points) entitles the holder to the following items:

- 4 meters of cloth
- 1 coupon for two towels
- 1 coupon for three handkerchiefs
- 1 coupon for one pair of shoe soles

- e. Clothing ration card type "Cartela D2 (42 points) entitles the holder to the following items:

- 5 meters of cloth
- 1 coupon for two towels
- 1 coupon for three handkerchiefs
- 1 coupon for one pair of soles

Note: A wife's clothing card entitles her to rubber soles only.

6. The fuel ration cards (Cartele de Combustibil) are distributed to all employees and workers upon applications made by their respective employers. The pensioners make their applications to their respective pension services. The fuel ration cards are issued by the Fuel Department located 7 Strada Boerescu in Bucharest. This department has several sub-centers throughout Bucharest, where applications for fuel are submitted. These sub-centers classify the applications according to each street locality and forward them to the department which keeps records of all fuel requests. The application is made on a special form (formular tip) which can be purchased for 0.10 lei from the Fuel Department. The name of the applicant, his address, the number and the cubic space of the rooms occupied, whether the rooms are electrically lighted or not, whether there is cooking gas service, whether there is central heating, as well as the category of food ration card the applicant has, must be stated on the application.
7. The possessor of a food ration card type "Cartela C" together with his wife (Cartela D1) and his child (Cartela D2) who lived in Bucharest in a house with one room, one entrance, and kitchen electrically lighted, with cooking gas but no central heating, received (for the winter of 1952) 2,500 kilograms of wood for fuel. Of this quantity, one had to deduct 300 kilograms of wood in order to receive 12 coupons (each worth 25 kilograms) of kerosene.

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